

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Alexandria Division**

ROSY GIRON DE REYES; JOSE
DAGOBERTO REYES; FELIX ALEXIS
BOLANOS; RUTH RIVAS; YOVANA
JALDIN SOLIS; ESTEBAN RUBEN MOYA
YRAPURA; ROSA ELENA AMAYA; and
HERBERT DAVID SARAVIA CRUZ,

Plaintiffs,

vs.

WAPLES MOBILE HOME PARK LIMITED
PARTNERSHIP; WAPLES PROJECT
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; and A.J.
DWOSKIN & ASSOCIATES, INC.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No. 1:16cv00563-TSE-TCB

**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS’
MOTION TO FILE DOCUMENTS UNDER SEAL**

Pursuant to Local Civil Rule 5, Plaintiffs Rosy Giron De Reyes, Jose Dagoberto Reyes, Felix Alexis Bolanos, Ruth Rivas, Yovana Jaldin Solis, Esteban Ruben Moya Yrapura, Rosa Elena Amaya, and Herbert David Saravia Cruz (“Plaintiffs”) submit this memorandum in support of its Motion to File Documents under Seal. The documents that Plaintiffs request permission to file under seal are Exhibits 3, 4, 7, 9, and 10 to Plaintiffs’ Reply in Support of Plaintiffs’ Objection. The exhibits consist of documents Defendants designated confidential pursuant to the Protective Order (Dkt. 45), including Defendants’ internal reports, communications between Defendants and Virginia legislators, communications between Defendants and VOICE, and communications between Defendants and third party Yardi, as well as excerpts from a deposition transcript.

Ashcraft v. Conoco, Inc., 218 F.3d 282 (4th Cir. 2000), held that documents may be sealed pursuant to district court order when the court: (1) provides notice to the public and gives it an

opportunity to object to sealing, (2) considers less drastic alternatives, and (3) provides specific findings in support of the decision to seal and the rejection of alternatives. Those requirements are met here.

First, Plaintiffs have concurrently filed a Notice of Motion to be docketed by the Clerk. The Notice will provide the public with an opportunity to object to the sealing of the documents in question.

Second, no feasible alternative exists to sealing these documents, in light of the Protective Order requiring information designated confidential pursuant to the Order to be filed with the court consistent with Local Rule 5 of the Eastern District of Virginia. Accordingly, the utmost discretion and confidentiality is necessary, and filings in this action should be kept under seal.

For these reasons, Plaintiffs respectfully request that the Court grant Plaintiffs' Motion to File Document under Seal. A proposed order is attached.

DATED this 8th day of December, 2016 Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that on the 8th day of December, 2016, I filed the foregoing document electronically with the Clerk of the Court using the ECF system, and caused to be served by electronic mail a copy of the foregoing document upon the following parties:

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